

DIARY NOTES

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22 November 1961

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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

a. It was announced that the President would come to the new building to give the Director some sort of an award at 1100 hours on Tuesday, the twenty-eighth of November. He will be coming by helicopter. Apparently, the swearing-in ceremony for Mr. McCone has been put over to Wednesday, the twenty-ninth. Mr. Kirkpatrick is handling the arrangements for the ceremony on the twenty-eighth. H

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b. I have agreed with [REDACTED] and General Cabell that we should present Mr. Dulles with his chair on his retirement and I will make this presentation at the dinner that is being given for him at the Alibi Club on Monday night, 27 November.

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c. I had a discussion with Bob Amory and others about our grant [REDACTED] for the Mechanical Translation Project. It has turned out that we have not paid them any money during this Fiscal Year. (However, on Friday, 24 November, we arranged to deliver a check to them for the first six months and I assume that their ruffled feelings are now soothed.)

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2. Stan Grogan called about the paper that [REDACTED] from the Office of Training had presented to him recommending [REDACTED] for an award that is being made by the American Society for Training Directors. I had not heard of this before and told Stan that it sounded to me as though we should not focus publicity, which would be necessary, on the School of International Communism. (On Friday, 24 November, General Cabell called to say that Stan discussed this matter with him; he did not believe that we should put [REDACTED] in for this award or that of the National Civil Service League for which he is also under consideration. General Cabell felt that we should not focus publicity on this School. This brought out the fact that he questioned Phases II and III of the program for the School of International Communism and directed that I raise this matter as a policy question early in the McCone Regime.) I have spoken to Matt Baird about this and must follow up to make sure that these policy questions are raised again. In addition to this, I want to raise with the Director of Personnel the propriety of anyone making recommendations for employee awards without checking with the Director of Personnel. When I finally got my hands on the papers involved in the ASTD award, I found that they had been signed by Matt Baird and there was no evidence that they had been coordinated with anyone. I have asked [REDACTED] to make sure that our Regulations are modified so as to require approval of the Director of Personnel before anyone is recommended for an award outside the Agency.

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3. [REDACTED] was in to see me about two matters:

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a. DPD proposed to send [REDACTED] back to the field but

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[REDACTED] was very much opposed to this. I called Colonel Beerli who said that under those circumstances he would not send him back and asked him to get together with George and talk about an alternative.

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